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IN DISTRIBUTED MULTI-PLAYER GAMES

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This amendment is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination.

Please reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows. In the event that an extension of time is required for this amendment to be considered timely, and a petition therefor does not otherwise accompany this amendment, any necessary extension of time is hereby petitioned for.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due (**RCE \$810**), including any extension of time fees and excess claim fees, to counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-4802/LCNT/GUO10.